

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as presently amended and in light of the following discussion, is respectfully requested.

Claims 19-35 and 37-38 are currently pending, Claims 19, 20, 25, and 38 having been amended. The changes and additions to the claims do not add new matter and are supported by the originally filed specification, for example, in Claim 25 as originally presented.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claims 19-24, 28-35, 37, and 38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Fischer et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,646,046, hereinafter “Fischer”); and Claims 25 and 26 were indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form.

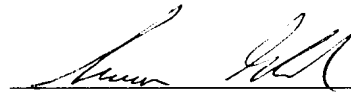
Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Handy for the indication of allowable subject matter and for the courtesy of an interview with Applicant’s representative, Mr. Tyson Crane, on March 10, 2011. During the interview, Applicant’s representative discussed the features of Claim 25 indicated as allowable in the Office Action, and possible amendments to incorporate some of these features. Claim amendments similar to those discussed during the interview are presented herein for formal consideration.

In the present response, Claims 19 and 38 are amended to incorporate features of Claim 25 discussed during the interview on March 10, 2011 and indicated as allowable in the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicant believes that Claims 19 and 38, and the claims depending therefrom, are in condition for allowance.

Consequently, in light of the above discussion and in view of the present amendment, the outstanding grounds for rejection are believed to have been overcome. The present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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